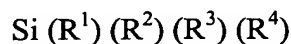


IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claim 1 (Currently Amended): A reinforcement yarn coated with a sizing composition comprising at least one silane satisfying the following formula:



wherein:

- R^1 and R^2 are identical or different, and are selected from the group consisting of:
-H, -Cl, $-\text{O}-\text{R}^5$, $-\text{O}-\text{R}^6-\text{O}-\text{R}^5$, $-\text{O}-(\text{C}=\text{O})-\text{R}^5$, and $-\text{O}-\text{R}^6-(\text{C}=\text{O})-\text{R}^5$;
- R^3 is selected from the group consisting of:
Cl, $-\text{O}-\text{R}^5$, $-\text{O}-\text{R}^6-\text{O}-\text{R}^5$, $-\text{O}-(\text{C}=\text{O})-\text{R}^5$, and $-\text{O}-\text{R}^6-(\text{C}=\text{O})-\text{R}^5$;
- R^5 and R^6 are derived from identical or different hydrocarbons, and are selected from hydrocarbon radicals having from 1 to 4 carbon atoms in the main chain;
- $\text{R}^4 = -\text{R}^7-\text{NHR}^8$;
- R^7 is selected from branched hydrocarbon radicals having from 2 to 6 carbon atoms in the main chain;
- R^8 is selected from the group consisting of:
-H, $-\text{R}^9-\text{NH}_2$, and $-\text{R}^{10}-\text{NH}-\text{R}^9-\text{NH}_2$;
- R^9 is selected from hydrocarbon radicals comprising from 1 to 12 carbon atoms or from carbonyls; and
- R^{10} is selected from hydrocarbon radicals having from 1 to 6 carbon atoms in the main chain.

Claim 2 (Previously Presented): The reinforcement yarn as claimed in claim 1, wherein $\text{R}^1 = \text{R}^2 = \text{R}^3 = -\text{OCH}_3$, and $\text{R}^4 = -\text{CH}_2-\text{CH}_2-\text{C}(\text{CH}_3)_2-\text{CH}_2-\text{NH}_2$ or $-\text{CH}_2-\text{C}(\text{CH}_3)_2-\text{CH}_2-\text{NH}_2$.

Claim 3 (Previously Presented): The reinforcement yarn as claimed in claim 1, wherein the composition further comprises at least one of γ -methacryloxy-propyltrimethoxysilane and a vinyl silane.

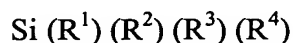
Claim 4 (Previously Presented): The reinforcement yarn as claimed in claim 1, wherein the composition further comprises at least one bonding agent.

Claim 5 (Previously Presented): The reinforcement yarn as claimed in claim 1, wherein the composition further comprises at least one lubricating agent.

Claim 6 (Previously Presented): The reinforcement yarn as claimed in claim 1, wherein said yarn is obtained from an alkali-resistant glass.

Claim 7 (Previously Presented): The reinforcement yarn as claimed in claim 1, wherein said yarn is capable of reinforcing plastic materials.

Claim 8 (Currently Amended): A sizing composition for reinforcement yarns, comprising at least one silane satisfying the following formula:



wherein:

- R^1 and R^2 are identical or different, and are selected from the group consisting of:
-H, -Cl, -O- R^5 , -O- R^6 -O- R^5 , -O-(C=O)- R^5 , and -O- R^6 -(C=O)- R^5 ;
- R^3 is selected from the group consisting of:
Cl, -O- R^5 , -O- R^6 -O- R^5 , -O-(C=O)- R^5 , and -O- R^6 -(C=O)- R^5 ;

- R^5 and R^6 are derived from identical or different hydrocarbons, and are selected from hydrocarbon radicals having from 1 to 4 carbon atoms in the main chain;
- $R^4 = -R^7-NHR^8$;
- R^7 is selected from branched hydrocarbon radicals having from 2 to 6 carbon atoms in the main chain;
- R^8 is selected from the group consisting of:
-H, $-R^9-NH_2$, and $-R^{10}-NH-R^9-NH_2$;
- R^9 is selected from hydrocarbon radicals comprising from 1 to 12 carbon atoms or from carbonyls; and
- R^{10} is selected from hydrocarbon radicals having from 1 to 6 carbon atoms in the main chain.

Claim 9 (Previously Presented): A composite comprising at least one organic material and/or one inorganic material and the reinforcement yarn as claimed in claim 1 incorporated in said material.

Claim 10 (Previously Presented): The sizing composition as claimed in claim 8, wherein $R^1 = R^2 = R^3 = -OCH_3$, and $R^4 = -CH_2-CH_2-C(CH_3)_2-CH_2-NH_2$ or $-CH_2-C(CH_3)_2-CH_2-NH_2$.

Claim 11 (Previously Presented): The composite as claimed in claim 9, wherein $R^1 = R^2 = R^3 = -OCH_3$, and $R^4 = -CH_2-CH_2-C(CH_3)_2-CH_2-NH_2$ or $-CH_2-C(CH_3)_2-CH_2-NH_2$.

DISCUSSION OF THE AMENDMENT

Claims 1 and 8 have each been amended to recite that each of R^5 and R^6 are --derived from identical or different hydrocarbons--, thus replacing “identical or different”, as supported in the specification at page 4, lines 9-10. Since R^5 is necessarily monovalent and R^6 is necessarily divalent, R^5 and R^6 cannot be identical.

No new matter is believed to have been added by the above amendment. Claims 1-11 remain pending in the application.